

## H.B. 989

## CHAPTER 565

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SEPARATE ABC PERMIT FOR HOTELS CHOOSING TO OFFER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SALES FROM LOCKED CABINETS IN GUEST ROOMS.

*The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:*

**Section 1.** G.S. 18B-1001 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(12) Guest Room Cabinet Permit. -- A guest room cabinet permit authorizes a hotel having a mixed beverages permit to sell to its room guests, from securely locked cabinets, malt beverages, unfortified wine, fortified wine, and spirituous liquor. A permittee shall designate and maintain at least ten percent (10%) of the permittee's guest rooms as rooms that do not have a guest room cabinet. A permittee may dispense alcoholic beverages from a guest room cabinet only in accordance with written policies and procedures filed with and approved by the Commission. A permittee shall provide a reasonable number of vending machines, coolers or similar machines on premises for the sale of soft drinks to hotel guests."

**Sec. 2.** G.S. 18B-902(d) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(29) Guest room cabinet permit. -- \$750.00."

**Sec. 3.** G.S. 18B-903(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Renewal. -- Application for renewal of an ABC permit shall be on a form provided by the Commission. An application for renewal shall be accompanied by an application fee of twenty-five percent (25%) of the original application fee set in G.S. 18B-902, except that the renewal application fee for a each mixed beverages permit and each guest room cabinet permit shall be five hundred dollars (\$500.00). A renewal fee shall not be refundable."

**Sec. 4.** G.S. 18B-804(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(9) If the spirituous liquor is sold to a guest room cabinet permittee for resale, a charge of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) on each four liters and a proportional sum on lesser quantities."

**Sec. 5.** G.S. 18B-404(d) reads as rewritten:

"(d) Size of Bottles. -- A purchase-transportation permit for a mixed beverages permittee shall authorize the purchase and transportation only of 750 milliliter or larger containers. A purchase-transportation permit for a mixed beverages permittee who is also a guest room